

Amendments To the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown. Applicants reserve the right to pursue any cancelled claims at a later date.

1.-13. (cancelled)

14. (new) An input device for inputting control instructions into a data processing system, comprising:

a movement acquisition device for capturing a translative movement of a reference point on the input device and for outputting corresponding movement data;

a display device having a first display field for displaying a field of control elements, at least one control instruction assigned to each control element;

a control device for controlling the display device such that the field of control elements is displaced on the first display field based on to the movement data output by the movement acquisition device; and

a selector device for selecting a control element from the field of control elements, the selector device located in a selection segment of the first display field.

15. (new) The Input device according to claim 14, wherein the field of control elements is a virtual keyboard, at least one character assigned to each key of the virtual keyboard representing the control elements.

16. (new) The input device according to claim 14, wherein the movement acquisition device comprises an optical, a mechanical or an acceleration sensor.

17. (new) The input device according to claim 16, wherein the movement acquisition device comprises the mechanical sensor, the mechanical sensor being a roller sensor for capturing a rolling movement of a ball on a surface.

18. (new) The input device according to claim 16, wherein the movement acquisition device comprises the acceleration sensor, the acceleration sensor being a longitudinal acceleration sensor for capturing an acceleration of the reference point.

19. (new) The input device according to claim 14, further comprising a further movement acquisition device for capturing a rotation about an axis, the axis passing through the reference point, and for outputting further movement data to the control device.

20. (new) The input device according to claim 14, wherein the display device comprises a second display field for displaying a plurality of control instructions assigned to a control element located in the selection segment.

21. (new) The input device according to claim 20, wherein the selector device comprises a plurality of selection elements, each selection element assigned to one control instruction of the control instructions assigned to the control element located in the selection segment.

22. (new) The input device according to claim 21, wherein the selection elements are positioned adjacent to the second display field such that a selection element is located adjacent to a display of a corresponding control instruction.

23. (new) The input device according to claim 14, wherein the display device comprises a third display field for displaying a plurality of recently selected control instructions.

24. (new) The input device according to claim 14, wherein the control device is configured to controls the display device such that at least one of the control elements of the field of control elements moves independently on the first display field.

25. (new) A data processing system, comprising an input device for inputting control instructions into the data processing system, the input device comprising:

a movement acquisition device for capturing a translative movement of a reference point on the input device and for outputting corresponding movement data;

a display device having a first display field for displaying a field of control elements, at least one control instruction assigned to each control element;

a control device for controlling the display device such that the field of control elements is displaced on the first display field based on to the movement data output by the movement acquisition device; and

a selector device for selecting a control element from the field of control elements, the selector device located in a selection segment of the first display field.

26. (new) The data processing system according to claim 25, wherein the data processing system is a mobile radio unit, a mobile telephone, a portable computer or a wristwatch.